

Church of the Holy Ghost

THE EPIPHANY OF THE LORD

JANUARY 8, 2012



A Catholic Faith Community
254 N. Wood Dale Road, Wood Dale, Illinois 60191
www.holyghostparish.org



Magi from the east arrived
The Epiphany of the Lord

Mass Schedule

Monday thru Friday - 9:30 a.m.

Saturday - 5:00 p.m.

Sunday - 7:30 a.m., 9:00 a.m., 11:00 a.m.

Holy Days—9:30 a.m., 12:15 p.m., 7:30 p.m.

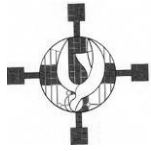
Upcoming Parish Events

Birthday/ Anniversary Weekend
January 7-8

Outer Strength Inner Peace
Jan.11th

Faith Formation Classes Resume
January 15th

Welcome to Holy Ghost Parish



Holy Ghost Directory

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Farrell Faith Formation Office Hours
Tuesday -Friday

8:30 am -12:30 pm/1:30 pm -4:30 pm

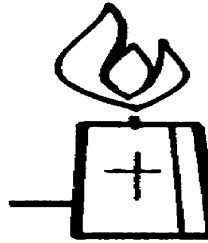
Parish Mission Statement

We, the members of Holy Ghost Parish, are one body of Roman Catholic People with diverse gifts and blessings, who share responsibility for the transformation of ourselves and our world according to the teachings and example of Jesus Christ.

Fed by the Holy Spirit, we nurture our faith through private prayer, sacraments and liturgy, through life-long learning and teaching of Gospel values, and through love and support of each other

Empowered by the same Spirit, we live our faith in action through ministries of service, social justice, evangelization and witness, because all people are called to one and the same goal: unity with God, now and forever. Amen

Come Pray the Rosary
Weekdays 9:00 a.m. and
Thursday 7:00pm in Church



**COME
INTO
THE
LIGHT**

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Sacramental Information

Baptism Takes place at Sunday liturgy or on Sunday at 1:30 p.m. A preparation class is required. Call parish office to make arrangements.

First Eucharist Celebrated each spring, available to youth who have completed required preparation.

First Reconciliation Celebrated each fall, available to youth who have completed required preparation.

Confirmation Celebrated each year and available to youth who have completed required preparation.

Reconciliation Available Friday mornings 9:00 a.m. to 9:30 a.m. or by appointment. Parish Reconciliation Services are scheduled during Advent and Lent.

Marriage Diocesan policy requires 6 months preparation time. Contact parish office for appointment.

RCIA RCIA is a process for fully initiating adults into the Catholic faith. It is for those who have never been baptized, or were baptized and/or raised in another Christian denomination and are now interested in becoming Catholic.

This process is also for Baptized Catholics who never completed their initiation through the sacraments of Eucharist and/or Confirmation. If interested, please contact Sheri Abel in the Farrell Faith Formation office. 766-1045.

Eucharist for the Homebound If you or a member of your family cannot attend Mass because of illness or disability, a Minister of Care will bring Communion to you. Call the parish office to make arrangements.

Readings and Resources

Sunday Reflection

Promises Fulfilled

Isaiah reminds the people of God that the land shall be restored to their possession, they shall rejoice to see their people return from the bondage of exile, and they shall be a light to the nations. In other words, through the people of Israel, the Savior shall come to all people who seek God with a sincere heart. This brings joy and the radiance of God's glory to all the world and to all people everywhere. Through the fidelity of the people of God, and through God's fidelity to them, all people shall become God's children and rejoice in the fulfillment of God's promise to Israel.

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TREASURES FROM OUR TRADITION

Before long, people will be throwing Mardi Gras beads in the streets of New Orleans—purple, gold, and green. A few will be in on the secret: the colors of the beads are derived from the gifts of the magi. Gold for wealth, purple for power, green for good health. The gifts are also a key to the identity of the Christ Child: the incense for God; the gold for a king; the myrrh, fragrant burial ointment for one who comes to die.

Centuries ago, today's feast bore the heavy burden of celebrating all the manifestations of Christ's identity: the birth of Jesus, the coming of the magi, the baptism of the Lord, the wedding feast at Cana. It was too much for one day. Fortunately the one day has blossomed into a whole season of grateful celebration, stretching behind us into Advent, and ahead of us into the Baptism of the Lord and to Christ's coming again in glory. Tonight, be sure to light the Christmas lights, and gather at the crèche for a favorite carol and a prayer.

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Weekday Mass Responsorial Psalm

Monday, January 9th

The Lord will bless His people with peace. **OR**
You will draw water joyfully from the springs of salvation.

Tuesday, January 10th

My heart exults in the Lord, my Savior.

Wednesday, January 11th

Here am I, Lord; I come to do your will.

Thursday, January 12th

Redeem us, Lord, because of your mercy.

Friday, January 13th

For ever I will sing the goodness of the Lord.

Daily Scripture

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

- Monday: Is 42:1-4, 6-7 or Is 55:1-11; Acts 10:34-38 or 1 Jn 5:1-9; Mk 1:7-11
Tuesday: 1 Sm 1:9-20 or 1 Sm 1:1-8 and 1 Sm 1:9-20; Mk 1:21-28 or Mk 1:14-20 and Mk 1:21-28
Wednesday: 1 Sm 3:1-10, 19-20; Mk 1:29-39
Thursday: 1 Sm 4:1-11; Mk 1:40-45
Friday: 1 Sm 8:4-7, 10-22a; Mk 2:1-12
Saturday: 1 Sm 9:1-4, 17-19; 10:1a; Mk 2:13-17
Sunday: 1 Sm 3:3b-10, 19; Ps 40;
1 Cor 6:13c-15a, 17-20; Jn 1:35-42

**Father Kevin's Next
Scripture Study
January 9th at 7pm
All are cordially invited**

Mass Intentions for the Week



Please keep the following intentions in your prayers:

Saturday, January 7th—5:00p.m.

Hugh & Elizabeth Elder
John & Mary Louise Ciesla
Mary Koda & Louise Ciesla
Albert Forgille
George Kosmach
Christine Kosmach
Helen & Larry Lisowski
John & Wanda Kulpa
Roger Miller
Florence Plocharczyk
Michele Hill

Sunday, January 8th

7:30 a.m.

Joe & Wally Garcia
Victoria Garcia
Silberio Garcia
Janet & Richard Farias
Mary Fagan
Jacob & Anna Herff
Albert Forgille
Adeline Farias
Angela Terkowitzsch
Mario Ziocchi
Thomas & Virginia Crowley
Bernice Grams
Loretta Gladowski
Robert Pearson
George Olean
Stanley & Elsie Bryk

9:00 a.m.

Thaddeus J. Wanat
Fortunanta Locasia
Carmelo Locasia
Robert Albrecht
Cecilia Albrecht
Michael Lepold
Katherine Zondlo

11:00 a.m.

Joseph & Albina Ferrari
Frank Ferrari
Joseph J. Schwarz
John Schwarz
Henry Joast
Thomas Duffy
Anthony Ishu
Margaret Howe
Les Kuczynski
Philomena Venere
Richard Hitzelberger
Lewis D. Mazzuca
Camille C. Mazzuca
Irene J. Gniech
John Lombardo
Lubomira Sknowron
Adam Lehman
Ken Peterson
Stefan Cieslak
Bolek Wasilewski
Patricia Gardner

Please note: Weekday intentions may be rescheduled due to changes or cancellations. Funeral masses will include all intentions.

Monday, January 9th-9:30 a.m.

Frank Siegfried

Tuesday, January 10th -9:30 a.m.

Eleanor Samson

Wed. January 11th -9:30 a.m.

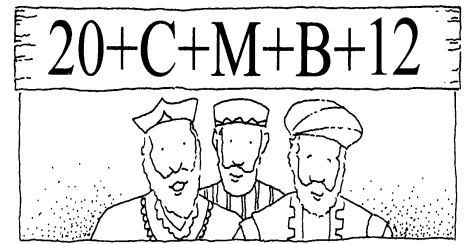
Parishioners of Holy Ghost

Thursday, January 12th - 9:30 am

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Friday, January 13th -9:30 am

Parishioners of Holy Ghost



The Epiphany of the Lord

Magi from the East were led by a star to Jesus where they prostrated themselves in humble adoration and offered Him gifts fit for a king. May we, likewise, humbly adore our Savior, by offering our gift of Time, Talent, and Treasure. With hearts filled with such love we will shine like stars, helping to lead many to Christ.

Please see the back cover for the Epiphany Blessing of the home.

Sunday Giving

Weekly Goal\$14,000

For Sunday, December 25, 2011

Stewardship Envelopes issued1213
 Adult Envelopes used256
 Children Envelopes used 24
 Christmas Envelopes used478
Total Revenue collected (includes loose change)

\$ 9,758.00

Christmas Collection
\$ 45,104.52

Thank you for your kindness and generosity of your stewardship offerings. Sharing of your time, talent and treasure provides the means for the many ministries offered to our parishioners and for those in need.

**Thank you to our Food for the Banquet
 January Contributors:**

January 7 & 8	Grams Family
January 14 & 15	Elizabeth & Raymond Kolinski
January 21 & 22	Bill & Kim Colamatteo
January 28 & 29	Marie Pellettiere

Baptized in Christ

We welcome our newest Brothers and Sisters

John Rocco Rosa

Remy Jack McKeel

Vincenzo Mark Mininni

In the Arms of the Lord

Please pray for our departed Brothers and Sisters.

Kenneth Peterson

Annunziata Daniele

Elizabeth Blasinski

Phillip Foti

Sonja Peters

Robert A. Kroschel

Eucharistic Ministers, Readers and Servers for Jan. 14th and Jan. 15th

	Saturday, 5:00pm	Sunday, 7:30 am	Sunday, 9:00 am	Sunday, 11:00 am
EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS	DELORES FASHODA RAFFY FRANCH SALLY CONNELLY CRAIG HUNTER MAGGIE JASKIEWICZ ANN KRESS	CONRAD LANGE FLOETTA LANGE JANE AIKENS STUART MARSH CELESTE SHAW SANDI SOBIESKI	ALEX JABLONSKI JOHN JABLONSKI SUSAN JABLONSKI VICKI JABLONSKI BEN JALOWIEC JOSH JALOWIEC	JOE ALCOZER KAREN KOSAKOWSKI FRANK BRABEC LAVONNE LOMBARDO ADAM MUELLERS PAT PITELLO
READERS	CATHY MUDD NANCY SIEMERS	SABINE PETROVIC CRAIG REEDUS	PATTY JALOWIEC ED MORRISSEY	GINA PISCOPO HILDA RADECK
ALTAR SERVERS	SERVERS NEEDED	SERVERS NEEDED	Julian Borysyewski Anthony Cantarelli	Lauren Schmidgall Gabriela Diaz

What is the Catholic Ministries Annual Appeal?

The Catholic Ministries Annual Appeal is an annual fundraising effort that underwrites 75 percent of the diocesan budget. Parishioners will be asked to make a pledge to the appeal through the information they receive in the mail or at Masses on the weekends of February 25-26. The funds raised through the appeal are the major source of financial support used to underwrite the ministries, charities and services of the diocese. Look for more information in the weeks to come about the 2012 Catholic Ministries Appeal.

Recycling 2012

RECYCLING 2012—UPDATE!!

There is now a **green recycle bin** in the church parking lot sponsored by USAgain, a green company committed to reducing carbon emissions and protecting the environment. **Items that can be placed in this bin include:**

- Shoes/Boots
- Clothing Items
- Gloves/Hats
- Linens
- Blankets
- Towels
- Throw Rugs
- Rags (without chemicals on them—i.e. paint)



Clothes dropped in the USAgain bin are diverted from landfills to be reworn, reused or recycled. Feel great knowing that your clothes are given a new life, instead of ending up in landfills.

To learn more—log on to www.usagain.com.

Holy Ghost Parish will be continuing our recycling program in 2012. Deposit your recyclable paper waste in the green & yellow bins on the South Side of the church by Fr. Kevin's garage.

COLLECTING

- Newspapers
- Magazines
- Catalogs
- Old Mail



NOT COLLECTING

- Cardboard
- Plastic Bags

Aluminum cans are accepted on the north side of the building, next to the kitchen door, place them in the green recycling bin! Drop them off any day of the week!



Thanks for thinking Green!

In November \$67.55 was received for the paper recycled in our collection bin. The landfill space saved was 14.07 cubic yards!

ROE vs. WADE STILL HAUNTS US

As we approach January 22, the 39th anniversary of the tragic Roe vs. Wade Supreme Court decision permitting abortion through all 9 months of pregnancy, we are encouraging our parish members to participate in the Baby Bottle Collection. The change collected from **January 21 to February 19** will be donated to the Women's Center which assists women in crisis pregnancy situations.

Holy Ghost School children and the students in the Religious Education program did their part during October - Respect Life Month. Now we are challenging parish members also to assist in this life saving effort.

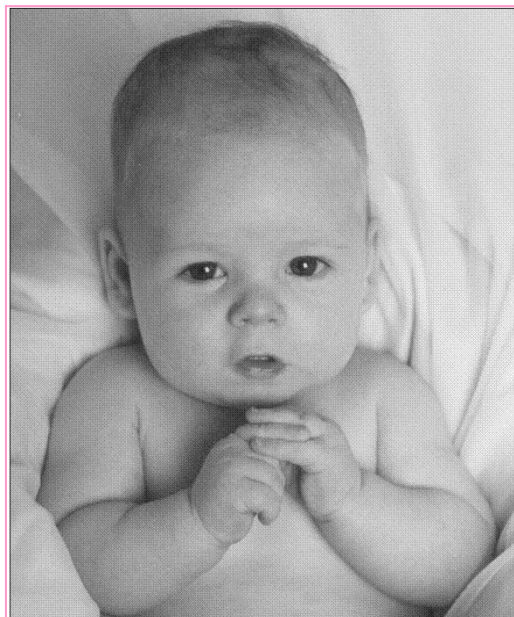
The free ultrasounds that are provided have spared many women from making the heart-breaking decision to destroy their unborn children. Your change might make the difference. Please pick up your bottle **January 21-22**.

The Women's Center of Greater Chicagoland

Crisis pregnancy counseling, medical and social referrals, material goods assistance.

www.womens-center.org 773-794-1313

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Programs and promotions are subject to change or termination at any time without notice.

Feed those hungry fans without breaking a sweat or the bank! Many choices of appetizers for the Big Super Bowl Game Day!

Order forms are available at the church entrances

Return orders to church by January 11th
Order on-line at www.marketday.com
(Account #1231) thru April 14th

**Sale Date: Saturday, January 14th
9:15 – 10:15 am**

A portion of your order is tax deductible. If you have any questions, or to place an order, call Sharri at (630) 707-9515

Outside the Parish

VOLUNTEER TUTORS NEEDED

Tutors on Wheels is an adult literacy (English as a Second Language) program sponsored by the Congregation of St. Joseph of La Grange. This program is in need of volunteers to teach English in Bloomingdale, Glendale Heights, Addison and other surrounding areas. Teaching takes place in libraries, churches, businesses, and social service agencies. Volunteers are needed to teach ESL one hour a week, on a one-to-one basis in nearby locations. Tutoring sessions are scheduled weekday mornings and some late afternoons (and/or evenings.) Training, books, and other materials are provided. It is not required to speak or understand another language. A tutor training will be held on Saturday, January 14, 2012. It is necessary that you attending one of the two training sessions. For more information please contact Jeanie Jadran at (708) 482-5035 or at (630) 217-0396.

Catholic Construction Corps

to respond to Joplin, Missouri Disaster

National Disaster Service: The Joliet Diocese Catholic Construction Corps will be sending a team to Joplin, Missouri. On May 22, 2011 an EF-5 tornado cut through the center of Joplin, MO. The tornado grew to over a mile wide. In addition to 7,000 homes being completely destroyed, the town's infrastructure was also heavily damaged, including the hospital and school. In addition to the loss of property, 159 lives were lost during the storm, making this disaster the second deadliest tornado in all of US history. Our volunteers will assist in continuing the re-construction efforts. This will be our second mission to Joplin. The Mission will be from January 29 (Sunday) to February 4 (Saturday). The CCC works only with the poorest of the poor, those who have no insurance or other means to repair and rebuild for themselves. Volunteers of all skill levels are needed. All volunteer costs, except travel, are covered. For further information OR to volunteer please call Sister Mary at 815-834-4072. Visit www.paxjoliet.org/missions

Who are the Capuchins?

The Capuchin Franciscan friars will be holding a weekend in the Milwaukee area for men (ages 18-45) who are interested in learning about religious life and seeing how Capuchins live as Franciscans in our world and in the Church today. The weekend is **February 3-5, 2012**. If you would like to attend, have questions, or want to recommend someone for the weekend, call (313) 595-2182 or email the Vocation Office at: vocation@capuchinfranciscans.org

Check out the Capuchin blog at: <http://capuchinfranciscans.blogspot.com>.

St. Viator's High School News

Saint Viator High School Entrance Exam will be given on Saturday, January 14, 2012, at 8:00 a.m. Interested students should arrive by 7:45 a.m. at the North entrance of the school. Please bring two #2 pencils along with a \$25 check (payable to SVHS). The test will conclude between 11:30 a.m. and 12:00 p.m. Saint Viator is located at 1213 E. Oakton St., Arlington Heights, IL 60004.

Saint Viator High School Tuition Assistance Seminar will be held on Wednesday, January 18, 2012, at 7:00 p.m. to review with prospective parents the application process for tuition assistance. The seminar will be conducted by Fr. Mick Egan, President, and Mrs. Nora Boka, Controller, in the Jeuck Auditorium. This year over \$1.2 million of tuition assistance was awarded to 26% of our students.

Immaculate Conception High School News

ICHS Class of 2016 Entrance Exam

Become part of the ICHS Class of 2016 by taking the Entrance Exam on Saturday, January 14th at 8:00 a.m. Exam participants need to arrive by 7:45 a.m. to sign in for the test and bring two #2 pencils. **Dictionaries or calculators are not allowed.** Students who have not already pre-registered must bring their completed Entrance Exam/ Enrollment Application Form along with the \$30 exam fee. The application form can be found on the main page of the ICHS web-site at www.ichsknights.org. Students who take the exam at ICHS will be given first priority for enrollment and will be eligible for scholarship awards based on test scores.

For more information, please contact Sarah Ford in the ICHS Admissions Office at 630.530-3484 or sford@ichsknights.org

Epiphany Blessing of the Home

Liturgically speaking, Epiphany is the high point of the Christmas season, so important that the Church gives it the rank of a “solemnity.” The word epiphany means a manifestation revealing or showing something we might otherwise miss. This feast celebrates the revelation of Jesus as the Messiah, and it tells us that he is the Savior of people from every corner of the world. For this reason artists through the centuries have portrayed the magi from different races, continents, and age groups.

Matthew’s Gospel (the only one with the magi’s story), does not tell us their number, but because three gifts are mentioned, tradition has put the number at three. Tradition has supplied names: Caspar, Melchior, and Balthasar. It has also given them crowns—the Gospel does not call them kings, but wise men.

The Blessing

Before the main meal on Epiphany or when everyone is together during the following week, affix the attached sign above a central door in your home. The numbers at the beginning and end are for the New Year. The letters stand for the names of the wise men, and also for “Christus mansionem benedict,” which means “May Christ bless our home.” After the sign is posted the whole family says the following:

LEADER: Peace be with this house and with all who enter!
Let us all say: Blessed be God for ever!

ALL: Blessed be God for ever.

LEADER: May all who come to visit here, find open hearts and ready cheer,
And find the face of Christ as well in every one who here does dwell;
And may we all be doubly blessed to see his face in every guest.

ALL: Amen.

Cut out and place above your door.

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